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affections of the heart and imagination ome understood subject matter to the conscious intelligence. Must feeling perish because intelligence sounds it depths? Quite the reverse. Greatest minds are those in which the understand It is a shape of self-intuition. Confession and penitence, in the church, are a moral and a religious criticism. The imagina same character. The first age of the world was lured by divine instincts; the latter man, in the great civilized nations of to May, travail with desire of knowing !tself, Its laws, its conditions, its means, its powers, its hopes? It studies with ir regular, often blind and perverted efforts but still it studies-itself. And, is no much bolder, more glowing and generous

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society, if not of life, is to the cocksurevery side; even the inefficient who only pine after epigram from afar are armo all be clever, though an extraordinaril large number of people think they are s and claim in consequence to be cock assurance may be tolerated—instance, who have in a most the right to lay down the law. his strange skill in inflicting pair t was his cocksureness, has d up

The strangest part of it all is the li-cense which the cocksure person is al-lowed—the came with which he comes to his throne. Like most usurpers, his claims are acknowledged if only he is sufficiently bold, and to be hold is the first article of his creed. Hestiation is as foreign to him as modesky to a Minerva, and he could give the oracle of Delphi points in supreme self-reliance. So it is that we meet dictators in every coterie: to hear an immature, provincial igno-ramous, too often a mass of offensive affectation, calmly deciding upon the claims to public esteem of an actor or playwright, balancing the respective merits of Daudet and George Mere-cith, or knocking down Mendelssohn in order to elevate some foolish friend. As reputations are made by talk, by brag, and babble, rather than achievement, he who is londest and has the longest tongue can often count upon the most listeners. The glib Charlatan, whose highest men-tal equality is cocksureness is, in-deed, one of the dominant features of modern social life. Where we go we find him; in picture galleries, at parties, in the front seats in the play-house, and in the pew at church, whispering com-ments on the clergyman. He may be un-able to 8pell, but he is always able to chatter. His knowledge is but skin-deep; be has only the most superficial acquaint-

they were wise. In the production of anything in a spectacular way the scenic artist and the costumer are guided, not by fact, but by fancy, and not being confined to the mundane, they can soar to the sun and the rainbow, and appro-priate the gilling and the coloring to feed the eye with a feast of beauty. This has been done in the comic opera "The Isle of Champagne," and in all Utopin was pever found a more unlous region than never found a more unique region than that in which King Pommery reigns, and the inhabitants quench their thirst on an expensive luxury which swells the head and depletes the pocket-book. "The Isle of Champagne" is at once a picture, a play and an over

of Champagne" is at once a picture, a play, and an opera. Few more brilliant successes have been attained in recent years than that of Mr. Seabrooke in his delightfully quaint and humorous impersonation of the character of King Pommery Sec, the exalted ruler of "The Isle of Champagne," whose inhabitants are supposed to have been ignorant of the use of water as a beverege until accident opened their eyes to its lexurious advantages. The story of the opera is amusing and original, and the scenes and action admit of great the scenes and action admit of great freedom of design on the part of the ar-

Mr. Alfred A. Farland, who is perhaps Afr. Alfred A. Farland, who is perhaps the most wonderful banjoist this country has ever known, will make his first appearance here at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall next Thursday, April 25th. The banjo has hitherto been considered a very limited instrument, but Mr. Farland is said to be a positive virtuose, who manages to get genuine music out of its strings, and who can interpret the exalted spirit of the classic masters in a way that is simply classic masters in a way that is simply astonishing. Mr. Parland appears here under the direction of Mr. Malcolm Shackleford, and his concert will be under the distinguished patronage of several prominent ladies of this city. Mr. Far-land will be assisted in rendering the fol-

.(Foster-Farland.) Mr. Farland. Mr. Farland.

Reading, Gavotte, Miss Leahy. Miss Leahy.

Sth Violin Sonata ... (Beethoven.)

Mr. Farland.

a. Selection from "Il Trovatore" ... (Verdi.)

b. Minnet, a la Antique ... (Padrewski.)

c. Serenade (Schubert.)

Mr. Farland.

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a. Wiegenited, (Cradie Song.) (Hauser.)

b. Violin Concerto, ap. 6i, Allegro

molto vivace (Mendelssohn.)

Charles F. Fleming, who is to direct the American tour next season of John Hare, the actor-manager of the Garrick Fheatre, London, has received word from Mr. Hare that he will sail for this country the latter part of November. Mr. Hare will continue his present season at the Garrick throughout June. He will spend July and August at his country place at Brighton, and will reappear at the Gar-rick for two months before starting on his American trip. sk for two months before starting on his merican trip.

Fred. C. Whitney is piloting Mrs. singtry upon her Canadian tour.

William Gillette's new war play is ended "Secret Service." It will be produced on May 12th in Philadelphia. Richard Mansfield has placed the ende management of the front of the use of his Garrick Theatre, in New Jork, in the hands of John P. Slocum. According to the cablegrams, Franking vies and Javid Belasco's big melodram military and Indian life, "The Girl I fit Behind Me," is an Immense sucset London, where it has just been

London, where it has just been Francis Wilson and A. H. Canby, will fease the season with "The Devil's De-sury" at the Broad-Street Theatre, Phila-telphia, on May 11th, and Mr. Canby vill sail for England, on May 22d, on he New York, Mr. Wilson going by a view steamer. Sullyan's new opera, oduce at Abbey's Theatre, New York, xt December, is the object of their est in England, Sir Arthur Sullivan, s just written three new musical num-rs, which will be introduced in the nerican representation. These are in-

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